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**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 6681**

**BILL NUMBER:** SB 218

**NOTE PREPARED:** Dec 26, 2007

**BILL AMENDED:**

**SUBJECT:** Study Commission for Single-Payer Health Coverage.

**FIRST AUTHOR:** Sen. Simpson

**FIRST SPONSOR:**

**BILL STATUS:** As Introduced

**FUNDS AFFECTED:** X **GENERAL**  
**DEDICATED**  
**FEDERAL**

**IMPACT:** State

**Summary of Legislation:** This bill establishes a single-payer health coverage commission to evaluate and make recommendations before December 1, 2008, concerning implementation of a single-payer health coverage system in Indiana.

**Effective Date:** Upon passage.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:** Estimated expenditures for the commission are less than \$10,000. The Department of Insurance (DOI) and the Department of Health (ISDH) must staff the commission. Expenses of the commission must be paid by the DOI. For FY 2007, DOI reverted \$2.5 M. It is anticipated that the DOI will be able to cover additional expenses given existing levels of resources.

**Background.** The commission will be composed of 12 members. A member of the General Assembly may not be appointed to the commission. The commission must compile, review, and evaluate information concerning single-payer health coverage systems and make recommendations pertaining to providing health coverage for every Indiana resident. The commission must make recommendations to the Governor and the Legislative Council before December 1, 2008.

Each member of the commission who is not a state employee is entitled to per diem and reimbursement for traveling expenses and other expenses actually incurred in connection with the member's duties. Each member of the commission who is a state employee is entitled to reimbursement for traveling expenses and other expenses actually incurred in connection with the member's duties.

**Explanation of State Revenues:**

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:**

**Explanation of Local Revenues:**

**State Agencies Affected:** DOI, ISDH.

**Local Agencies Affected:**

**Information Sources:** State Budget Agency.

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